

To the Honorable Council City of Norfolk, Virginia March 15, 2016

From:

Darrell R. Crittendon, Director Recreation, Parks & Open Space **Subject:** Acceptance of a grant award from the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission for the construction of a canoe/kayak launch and fishing dock

Reviewed:

Wypter C. Benda, Deputy City Manager

Ward/Superward: 2/6

Approved:

Marcus D. Jones, City Manager

Item Number:

R-12

I. Recommendation: Adopt Ordinance

II. Applicant: City of Norfolk

Department of Recreation, Parks & Open Space

III. Description:

This agenda item is an ordinance to accept a grant in the amount of \$20,000.00 from the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (the "HRPDC") to be used in conjunction with the City of Norfolk (the "city") to match funding for construction of a canoe/kayak launch and fishing dock, removal of a dilapidated dock at the Lavalette Avenue (Lafayette) boat ramp site, and provide upland shoreline planting. Funding is to be utilized by September 31, 2016.

IV. Analysis

- Fishing activity from the shoreline has caused significant damage. Construction of the
 dock will provide a platform for this recreational activity while helping to protect the
 shoreline.
- The shoreline buffer has been greatly diminished and the project will partially restore the upland plantings to provide additional buffer and shoreline stabilization.
- The existing dock is decaying and should be removed in an effort to improve the shoreline edge and remove a potentially dangerous disintegrating structure from the water.
- The canoe/kayak launch will provide more access to the waterways. This is a high recreational priority as determined by the citizens of the city in the Recreation, Parks & Open Space Master Plan.

V. Financial Impact

The \$20,000 grant received from the HRPDC requires a local cash match. The city has previously appropriated the funds allocated for this project as identified in the Capital Improvement Program Stormwater Fund and Recreation, Parks & Open Space Master Plan CIP account. The total estimated cost of the project is \$96,000.

VI. Environmental

The project will provide Improvement of our shoreline buffers and water quality.

VII. Community Outreach/Notification

Public notification for this agenda item was conducted through the city's agenda notification process.

VIII. Board/Commission Action

N/A

IX. Coordination/Outreach

This letter and ordinance have been coordinated with the Department of Recreation, Parks & Open Space, and the City Attorney's Office.

Supporting documentation provided by the City Attorney's Office:

Ordinance

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Form and Correctness Approved

Office of the City Attorney

Contents Approved:

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Pursuant to Section 72 of the City Charter, I hereby certify that the money required for this item is in the city treasury to the credit of the fund from which it is drawn and not appropriated for any other purpose.

\$ 20,000,00

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Director of Finance

Date

ORDINANCE No.

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING \$20,000.00 FROM THE HAMPTON ROADS COMMISSION AND APPROPRIATING DISTRICT PLANNING \$20,000.00 FOR AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE LAVALETTE AVENUE CANOE/KAYAK LAUNCH AND FISHING DOCK.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Norfolk:

Section 1:- That a \$20,000.00 grant award from the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission for the construction of the Lavalette Avenue Canoe/Kayak Fishing Dock is hereby accepted.

Section 2:- That \$20,000.00 in grants funds are hereby appropriated and authorized to be expended for the construction of the Lavalette Avenue Canoe/Kayak Fishing Dock, if and when the funds are made available from the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission.

Section 3:- That the City Manager is hereby authorized to do all things necessary to receive the funds and implement the project.

Section 4:- That this ordinance shall be in effect from and after the date of its adoption.